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Dear Sir's,

I don't understand why your Representatives let Microsoft off so easy.

First of all; Microsoft has been found guilty of monopolistic marketing practices, in which it would force PC makers to only package Microsoft's operating system with every PC sold. Even today if you ask Dell computer to ship a PC Notebook computer it will be with Windows operating system. I have even asked Dell if they could leave the Microsoft windows off the new machine if I order it. I also asked if they could mark the extra charge for windows down. You know that this has happend a lot in the past. Now the decision is to allow Microsoft to be shipped coexisting with other operating systems. Why am I still forced to buy Microsoft products? Your decision has no provision with making refunds to people who don't even use the windows operating system, now or for being forced in the past.

Secondly; Your other decision was to make Microsoft open up their API code to other software manufacturers. This is nothing new. In the past Developers and companies who provided development tools were able to see the new features of windows api's, but only after Microsoft had ample time for marketing their own products.

In conclusion; Given a product atmosphere where there has been a major break through, such as the computer industry. And a situation where a company has been able to dictate who sells their product and blacklist those who offer other alternatives as Microsoft has done. I have one question. Why don't you stand up and protect America's right to freedom of choice? And why don't you punish those who try to take that freedom away?

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